



St. Patrick Center  
Building Permanent, Positive, Change.

OUR mission

St. Patrick Center provides opportunities for self-sufficiency and dignity to persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Individuals achieve permanent, positive changes in their lives through affordable housing, sound mental health, employment and financial stability.

## HOW TO HELP END HOMELESSNESS

### Pray for St. Patrick Center & our clients

- ♣ It's FREE! Please pray that we may continue our mission to help our clients achieve self-sufficiency and success, and end chronic homelessness. We believe the miracles we witness at our agency are spiritually boosted by our network of faithful individuals and prayer.

### Make a financial donation

- ♣ Give an annual gift to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Join the **Shamrock Society** with a \$1000 gift and support our 28 employment, housing and mental health programs.
- ♣ Become a Key Player with a \$2000 housing program gift to the **Key Player Initiative**.
- ♣ Give a gift through the Neighborhood Assistance Program to support our employment programs and earn 50% Missouri state tax credits.
- ♣ Take advantage of the final year of a special tax incentive and give an IRA rollover donation that is TAX FREE.
- ♣ Join the **Cornerstone Society** and arrange for St. Patrick Center in your will.
- ♣ Honor a family member or friend, living or deceased, with a tribute donation on their birthday, anniversary or other milestone.
- ♣ Make a donation of any amount to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Apply to your company's matching gift program and increase the size of your donation to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Shop online at sites that give a portion of your purchases to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ See how your donation can make a difference at [www.stpatrickcenter.org/donate-2/make-a-difference/](http://www.stpatrickcenter.org/donate-2/make-a-difference/)

### Hold a fundraiser

- ♣ Organize a **Pot O' Gold Kettle Drive** at your school or place of business in March.
- ♣ Make St. Patrick Center the beneficiary of your existing fundraiser.
- ♣ Join the **Key Player Initiative** by organizing a fundraiser that supports St. Patrick Center's housing program.

### Donate in-kind goods & services

- ♣ Print St. Patrick Center's current in-kind wish list at [www.stpatrickcenter.org](http://www.stpatrickcenter.org)
- ♣ Donate gently used clothing & coats to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Donate new socks & underwear to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Donate auction items to our **Sports Trivia Championship** in February and **Irish Open** dinner auction in June.
- ♣ Donate a backpack full of school supplies to St. Patrick Center's **Back-to-School backpack giveaway**.
- ♣ Donate gently used toys & books to St. Patrick Center's Child Drop-In Center.
- ♣ Donate food items to St. Patrick Center's **Give Thanks Thanksgiving distribution program**.

### Volunteer at St. Patrick Center

- ♣ Volunteer to help with administrative office tasks at St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Volunteer to sort & distribute food and clothing at St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Volunteer to sort & distribute back-to-school backpacks for the children of our clients in August.
- ♣ Volunteer to sort & distribute Thanksgiving food items for clients and their families in November.
- ♣ Volunteer to sort, wrap & distribute Christmas gifts for clients and their families in December.

### Volunteer at a St. Patrick Center event

- ♣ Volunteer at the **Sports Trivia Championship** in February.
- ♣ Volunteer at the **St. Patrick's Irish Party** in March.
- ♣ Volunteer at the **St. Patrick's Day Brunch** in March.
- ♣ Volunteer at the **St. Patrick's Irish Open Dinner Auction** in late May/early June.
- ♣ Volunteer at the **St. Patrick's Irish Open Golf Tournament** in early June.



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### Attend a St. Patrick Center event

- ♣ Enter a sports trivia team in our **Sports Trivia Championship** in February.
- ♣ Attend our **St. Patrick's Irish Party** in March.
- ♣ Attend our **St. Patrick's Day Brunch** in March.
- ♣ Enter a golfer five-some in our **St. Patrick's Irish Open** golf tournament in early June.

### Support our restaurant

- ♣ Bring your family and friends to lunch at McMurphy's Grill.
- ♣ Encourage your office mates to order box lunches from McMurphy's Grill.
- ♣ Plan your next party or meeting at McMurphy's Grill.

### Prepare or serve meals for our clients

- ♣ Cook casseroles for clients of our Alumni Club, Rosati House & Shamrock Club.
- ♣ Make sandwiches or healthy snacks for us to distribute at our public lunch.
- ♣ Donate, prepare and serve dinner one evening for our Women's Night Program.

### Sponsor a family

- ♣ Adopt a family in St. Patrick Center's **Christmas Wishes program** and buy Christmas gifts to help them enjoy their holidays.
- ♣ Encourage your family and friends to sponsor families at Christmas.

### Do a school service project

- ♣ Choose to fulfill your student community service requirements at St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Bring a group of middle or high school students to attend our "A Hand Up" presentation to learn about a client's experience at St. Patrick Center.

### Spread the word

- ♣ Tell your family and friends about the mission of St. Patrick Center and our goal to end chronic homelessness by 2015.
- ♣ Tell your family and friends to make a financial or in-kind gift to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Tell your school, club or place of business to make a financial or in-kind gift to St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Tell your family and friends to visit the St. Patrick Center website: [www.stpatrickcenter.org](http://www.stpatrickcenter.org)
- ♣ Write an article about St. Patrick Center & its mission in your school paper, work newsletter, etc.
- ♣ Write a letter to a government official advocating the efforts of local homeless service providers to end chronic homelessness in St. Louis.
- ♣ Invite St. Patrick Center to speak at your school, church, club or place of business.
- ♣ Invite your group to take a tour of St. Patrick Center.
- ♣ Tell us about your St. Patrick Center experience in writing so we may share it with others.

### Share your expertise

- ♣ Tutor St. Patrick Center's ABE & GED students.
- ♣ Become an AA sponsor or meeting leader.
- ♣ Donate your professional time and talents in areas like art & music therapy, graphic design, health care, law, photography and more.

For more information about donating, contact Jan Rasmussen at 314-802-0683 or [jrasmussen@stpatrickcenter.org](mailto:jrasmussen@stpatrickcenter.org).

For more information about the casserole program or volunteering, contact Kristen Bracken at 314-802-0681 or [kbracken@stpatrickcenter.org](mailto:kbracken@stpatrickcenter.org).

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